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SUBJ: SAUDI ARABIA NOTAM 224

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SUMMARY. DG CIVIL AVIATION CONFIRMS THAT NOTAM 224 NOT RPT
NOT AIMED AT NORTH- SOUTH FLIGHTS (ISRAELI OR OTHER) OVER
INTERNATIONAL WATERS OUTSIDE SAUDI JURISDICTION. NOTAMS
PRIMARILY AIMED AT FLIGHTS FROM GULF OVER RESTRICTED MILITARY
AREAS IN SOUTHERN PART OF SAUDI ARABIA. AMENDED NOTAM HAS
BEEN ISSUED AND WE ASSURED NO CIVILIAN AIRCRAFT WOULD IN
ANY CASE EVER BE FIRED ON; SAUDIS WILL IGNORE FLIGHTS OVER
RED SEA INTERNATIONAL WATERS OUTSIDE DESIGNATED
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CORRIDORS. END SUMMARY.

1. DIRECTOR GENERAL CIVIL AVIATION HAS CONFIRMED TO ME THAT NOTAM 224 OF LAST DECEMBER REPEATED IN MARCH WAS NOT RPT NOT AIMED AT NORTH- SOUTH FLIGHTS OVER INTERNATIONAL WATERS OUTSIDE SAUDI JURISDICTION. WHOLE INTENT WAS TO WARN AIR-CRAFT FLYING OVER PROHIBITED AND RESTRICTED MILITARY AREAS OUTSIDE OF NOTIFIED AIR ROUTES IN SOUTHERN PART OF SAUDI ARABIA. NOTAM WAS INITIATED BY MINISTRY OF DEFENSE AFTER NUMEROUS VIOLATIONS BY AIRCRAFT FLYING FROM PERSIAN GULF TO HORN OF AFRICA. THESE AIRCRAFT WERE SUPPOSED TO FLY OVER BISHA ON NOTIFIED AIR TRAFFIC ROUTES TO RED SEA AND THEN SOUTH OVD CITATION OF EXISTING REGULATIONS SO THAT POST CAN ADVISE THE SOLICITOR AND THE TURKS AND CAICOS AUTHORITIES.
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